





## To Let.

**TO LET.**  
(With Possession from 1st October, 1885.)  
**HOUSE, No. 3, STANLEY STREET.**  
No. 31, WELLINGTON STREET.  
Gas and Water laid on.  
For Particulars, apply to  
**ROZARIO & Co.**  
Hongkong, July 22, 1885. 1235

**SHOPS AND GODOWNS,**  
OR  
**TO BE LET.**  
Apply to  
**A. S. WATSON & Co.**  
Hongkong, July 28, 1885. 1272

**TO LET.**  
**No. 3, LOWER MOSQUE TERRACE.**  
Entry can be had immediately.  
Apply to  
**ROBERT LANG & Co.,**  
Queen's Road.  
Hongkong, August 31, 1885. 1500

**THE PEAK.**  
**TO LET.**  
**BUNGALOW at Mount Kowloon.** Five  
Rooms, Terrace Court, &c., &c.  
For 1885 or longer if desired.  
Apply to  
**JOHN D. HUTCHISON.**  
Hongkong, September 17, 1885. 1625

**TO LET.**  
**BELVUE, Kowloon, with Garden and**  
Tennis Court attached. Entry at  
once.  
Apply to  
**G. C. ANDERSON,**  
13, PRINCE STREET.  
Hongkong, August 24, 1885. 1447

**TO BE LET.**  
**A DESIRABLE RESIDENCE**  
in  
**RICHMOND TERRACE.**  
Apply to  
**J. D. HUMPHREYS.**  
Hongkong, September 23, 1885. 1656

**TO LET.**  
From 1st November, 1885,  
**No. 9, REMEDIOS TERRACE, 6 ROOMS,**  
BATH ROOMS, &c.  
Apply to  
**G. F. A. SANGSTER,**  
Receiver,  
A. A. REMEDIOS, Decedent.  
Hongkong, October 15, 1885. 1801

**TO LET.**  
**OFFICES and CHAMBERS, No. 7,**  
QUEEN'S ROAD, lately occupied by  
Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.  
Apply to  
**BIRD & PALMER,**  
Who will exhibit Plans and arrange Offices  
to suit applicants.  
Hongkong, April 8, 1885. 597

**TO LET.**  
**'COLLEGE CHAMBERS' (late HOUSE**  
OF 'UNIVERSITY'), Single Rooms or  
Suites of Apartments.  
No. 4, OLD BAILEY STREET.  
Apply to  
**DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,**  
Hongkong, May 11, 1885. 779

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& Co.'s, Hongkong; and at Messrs.  
TAYLOR & Co.'s, London.  
Hongkong, January 23, 1884. 145

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By E. H. PARKER.  
Can be obtained from KELLY & WALSH  
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China Mail Office.

## SUMMER TIME TABLE.

## THE KOWLOON FERRY.

## MORNING S.F.A.P.

Runs Daily at a Ferry Boat between  
Paddar's Wharf and Tim-Tee-Tui at the  
following hours:

WEEK DAYS.	SUNDAYS.
6.30 A.M. 7.00 A.M. 8.00 A.M. 9.00 A.M. 10.00 A.M. 11.00 A.M. 12.00 P.M. 1.00 P.M. 2.00 P.M. 3.00 P.M. 4.00 P.M. 5.00 P.M. 6.00 P.M. 7.00 P.M. 8.00 P.M. 9.00 P.M. 10.00 P.M. 11.00 P.M. 12.00 A.M.	7.00 A.M. 8.00 A.M. 9.00 A.M. 10.00 A.M. 11.00 A.M. 12.00 P.M. 1.00 P.M. 2.00 P.M. 3.00 P.M. 4.00 P.M. 5.00 P.M. 6.00 P.M. 7.00 P.M. 8.00 P.M. 9.00 P.M. 10.00 P.M. 11.00 P.M. 12.00 A.M.

\* There will be no Launch on Monday  
and Friday, on account of coal.  
The above Time Table will be strictly  
adhered to, except under unavoidable cir-  
cumstances. In case of stress of weather,  
due notice will be given of any stoppage.

## Entertainment.

**THEATRE ROYAL.**  
**CITY HALL.**  
Manager, NEIL O'BRIEN.  
UNADATED SUCCESS  
of the  
**MASCOTTE OPERA COMPANY.**

**THIS EVENING.**  
Tuesday, the 20th October.  
**OFFENBACH'S SPARKLING OPERA,**  
**'LA PERICHOLE.'**  
**'LA PERICHOLE.'**  
Conductor, SIGNORE VALENZA.

Box Plan now open at KELLY & WALSH'S  
(LIMITED).  
Hongkong, October 20, 1885. 1823

**Notices to Consignees.**  
**STEAMSHIP SAGHALIEN.**  
COMPAGNIE DES MESSEAGERIES  
MARITIMES.  
NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per Steamships  
Molok and Inverclyde, from London,  
Antwerp and Havre, in connection with the  
above Steamers, are hereby informed that their  
Goods—with the exception of Opium,  
Treasure and Valuables—are being landed  
and stored at their risk at the Company's  
Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained  
immediately after landing.  
Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless  
intimation is received from the Consignees  
before Noon To-day (Friday), requesting it  
to be landed here.  
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the  
Undersigned.

Goods remaining unclaimed after Thurs-  
day, the 22nd October, at Noon, will be  
subject to rent, and landing charges at 1  
cent per package per diem.  
All Claims must be sent in to me on or  
before the 26th October, or they will not be  
recognised.  
No Fire Insurance has been effected.  
G. DE CHAMPEAUX,  
Agent.  
Hongkong, October 16, 1885. 1806

**NETHERLANDS INDIA STEAM**  
NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.  
**FROM BATAVIA, SINGAPORE,**  
AND SAIGON.

THE Company's S.S. *Amorita* having ar-  
rived from the above Ports, Consignees  
of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their  
Goods—with the exception of Opium  
—are being landed at their risk into  
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.'s West Point  
Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained.  
Cargo remaining undelivered after the  
22nd instant will be subject to rent.  
No Fire Insurance has been effected.  
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by  
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, October 15, 1885. 1800

**WASHING BOOKS.**  
(In English and Chinese.)  
WASHERMAN'S BOOKS, for the use of  
Ladies and Gentlemen, can be had at  
this Office.—Price, \$1 each.  
CHINA MAIL OFFICE.

## To-day's Advertisements.

**FOR SHANGHAI.**  
The Steamship  
*Maria*,  
Capt. MITCHELL, will be  
despatched for the above  
Port TO-MORROW, the 21st instant, at 4  
p.m.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
**SIEMSEN & Co.,**  
Agents.  
Hongkong, October 20, 1885. 1828

**FOR SINGAPORE AND PENANG.**  
The British Steamer  
*Idalia*,  
Capt. ALLISON, will be  
despatched for the above  
Ports TO-MORROW, the 21st instant, at 4 p.m.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
**GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,**  
Agents.  
Hongkong, October 20, 1885. 1830

**INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION**  
COMPANY, LIMITED.

**FOR TIENTSIN.**  
The Co.'s Steamship  
*Pechili*,  
Capt. SELLARS, will be  
despatched for the above  
Port on or about the 24th instant.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
**JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,**  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, October 20, 1885. 1824

**THE CHINA SHIPPERS MUTUAL**  
STEAM NAVIGATION COM-  
PANY, LIMITED.  
**FOR SHANGHAI.**  
The Co.'s Steamship  
*Ningchow*,  
Capt. G. L. CARRIE, Com'dr.,  
expected here on or  
about the 23rd instant, will have im-  
mediate despatch as above.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
**ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.,**  
Agents.  
Hongkong, October 20, 1885. 1830

**FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.**  
The Steamship  
*Port Phillip*,  
Capt. G. DULZIN, Com'dr.,  
will be despatched for the  
above Port on or about the 30th instant.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
**ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,**  
Agents.  
Hongkong, October 20, 1885. 1829

**NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.**  
**FROM LONDON, ANTWERP AND**  
**SINGAPORE.**  
THE Steamship *Laju*, Captain MANN,  
having arrived from the above Ports,  
Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested  
to send in their Bills of Lading to the  
Undersigned for countersignature, and take  
immediate delivery of their Goods from  
alongside.  
Cargo impeding the discharge of the  
Steamer will be at once landed and stored  
at Consignees' risk and expense, and no  
Fire Insurance will be effected.  
All Claims against the Steamer must be  
presented to the Undersigned on or before  
the 28th instant, or they will not be re-  
cognised.  
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, October 20, 1885. 1825

**SHIPPING.**  
**ARRIVALS.**  
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## Vessels Advertised as Loading.

Destination.	Vessels.	Captain.	Agents.	Date of Leaving.
Tientsin, &c.	<i>Pandora</i> (s)	G. Mettel	O. Bachrach	October 30, at noon.
London, via Suez Canal.	<i>Menelaus</i> (s)	Nelson	Butterfield & Swire	October 27.
London, &c., via Suez Canal.	<i>Rohilla</i> (s)	W. Barratt	P. & O. S. N. Co.	October 27, at 4 p.m.
London, via Suez Canal.	<i>Glenroy</i> (s)	Geake	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	About October 26.
Manila.	<i>Ventura</i>	Uriond	Remedios & Co.	October 23, at 5 p.m.
New York, via Suez Canal.	<i>Port Phillip</i> (s)	Turk	Russell & Co.	October 28.
New York, via Suez Canal.	<i>Port Phillip</i> (s)	G. Dalling	Adams, Bell & Co.	About October 30.
New York, via Suez Canal.	<i>Reporter</i>	Beyley	Russell & Co.	Quick despatch.
San Francisco, via Yokohama.	<i>Naupactus</i>	Levitt	Russell & Co.	Quick despatch.
Shanghai.	<i>City of Peking</i> (s)	Mitchell	Pacific Mail S. S. Co.	November 3, at 3 p.m.
Shanghai.	<i>Kinghow</i> (s)	G. L. Castle	Siemens & Co.	October 21, at 4 p.m.
Shanghai, via Amoy.	<i>Patrolus</i> (s)	Thompson	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Quick despatch.
Shanghai, Yokohama and Higo.	<i>Moray</i> (s)	Thompson	Butterfield & Swire	October 21, at daylight.
Shanghai and Yokohama.	<i>Germania</i> (s)	Thomas	Adams, Bell & Co.	About October 24.
Singapore and Penang.	<i>Idalia</i> (s)	Allison	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	October 22, at 4 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow.	<i>Haiphong</i> (s)	P. Ashton	Douglas Lepark & Co.	October 21, at daylight.
Swatow and Bangkok.	<i>Tachow</i> (s)	J. Newton	Yuen Fat Hong.	October 21, at daylight.
Tientsin.	<i>Pechili</i> (s)	Sellar	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	About October 24.

## SHARE LIST.—QUOTATIONS.

Stocks.	No. of Shares.	Value.	Paid-up.	Portion For Last Report.	Balance Forward.	Last Dividend.	Closing Quotations.
<b>BANKS.</b>							
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Corp.	80,000	\$125	\$125	\$4,500,000	\$50,779.22	£ 2 half year	151 1/2 prem., buyers
<b>INSURANCE.</b>							
North-China Insurance Co., Ltd.	8,000	200	200	500,000	540,107	1/2 year	110 1/2
Yangtze Insurance Company, Ltd.	8,000	200	200	50,000	49,329	1/2 year	110 1/2
Union Insurance Society Co., Ltd.	2,000	1,250	1,250	634,000	496,329	1/2 year	110 1/2
China Trading Insurance Co., Ltd.	2,000	83 1/2	83 1/2	600,000	200,735.71	18 1/2 annuities	18 1/2
Canton Insurance Office Co., Ltd.	10,000	250	250	100,000	49,596	1/2 year	110 1/2
Chinese Insurance Co., Limited.	1,500	1,000	200	23,711.50	35,165.20	1/2 year	110 1/2
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.	8,000	250	250	900,000.00	297,568.07	\$20 for 1883	83 1/2
China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.	20,000	100	200	647,800	191,050.99	\$5 for 1883	87 1/2
<b>STEAM COMPANIES.</b>							
H.K. and M. Steamship Co., Ltd.	8,000	100	75	\$20,236.55	4,593.98	1/2 year	56 prem., cash
Douglas Steamship Co., Limited.	20,000	50	50	\$5,764.16	402.22	12 1/2 year end- ing June 30/84	18 1/2
Indo-China S. N. Company, Limited.	18,387	10 1/2	10 1/2	10	10	1/2 year	18 1/2 discount
60,000 shares issued.	31,212	10 1/2	10 1/2	10	10	1/2 year	18 1/2 discount
China and Manila S. S. Co., Ltd.	3,500	100	all	all	all	1/2 year	26 discount
<b>MISCELLANEOUS.</b>							
H'kong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.	10,000	125	125	18,000	4,259.01	1/2 year	68 1/2 prem., cash, buyers
H.K. and China Gas Co., Limited.	5,000	10 1/2	10 1/2	8,552.17	11	1/2 year	88 1/2
New Star Line.	1,000	100	100	100	2,236.76	1/2 year	104 1/2
Hongkong Hotel Company, Ltd.	2,000	100	100	100	13,274.04	1/2 year	104 1/2
9,000 shares issued.	1,000	100	100	100	2,236.76	1/2 year	104 1/2
China Sugar Company, Limited.	9,000	100	100	100	13,274.04	1/2 year	104 1/2
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited.	1,250	100	100	100	235.83	1/2 year	104 1/2
Hongkong Bakery Company, Ltd.	600	100	100	100	442.18	1/2 year	104 1/2
Luzon Sugar Company, Limited.	7,000	100	100	100	829.09	1/2 year	104 1/2
Perak Tin Mining & S'ing Co.	5,000	100	100	100	100	1/2 year	104 1/2
Selangor Tin Mining Co. (S'hai).	2,500	100	100	100	100	1/2 year	104 1/2
Punjom & Senghis Dua Samatan	40,000	10	10	10	10	1/2 year	104 1/2
'Mining Co.'	40,000	10	10	10	10	1/2 year	104 1/2
H'kong Rope Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	3,000	50	all	all	all	1/2 year	104 1/2
<b>MANUFACTURES.</b>							
Chinese Imperial 1881.	8,558 1/2	500	all	all	all	1/2 year	104 1/2
" 1884.	27,900	500	all	all	all	1/2 year	104 1/2
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" 1884.	27,900	500	all	all	all	1/2 year	104 1/2
Sugar Debentures, 1880.	600	500	all	all	all	1/2 year	104 1/2

## To-day's Advertisements.

**CHRISTMAS**  
AND  
**NEW YEAR CARDS.**  
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.'s New  
Stock greatly surpasses that of any  
previous year. This Season's Parcel in-  
cludes some of the most artistic productions  
of England and America, and for beauty  
and delicacy of finish cannot be equalled.

**SPECIALITY.**  
A small Assortment of the above in very  
cheast, and unique designs, specially paint-  
ed to order of  
**LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.**

Each Card will be enclosed in a suitable  
Envelope to protect it from damage in  
transit through the post. The above are  
now on view. An inspection is invited.  
**LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.**  
Hongkong, October 20, 1885. 1827

**Not Responsible for Debts.**  
Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor  
Owners will be Responsible for any  
Debt contracted by the Officers or  
Crew of the following Vessels, during  
their stay in Hongkong Harbour:—  
B. H. STERNKEN, German brig, Captain  
Chr. Meyer.—Melchers & Co.  
CENTINIAL, American ship, Capt. J. M.  
Boase.—Order.

DARMOOT, British barque, Capt. Benj.  
Flinton.—Melchers & Co.  
EDWARD MAY, American barque, Capt.  
O. A. Johnson.—Russell & Co.  
ISAAC REBY, American ship, Capt. E. C.  
Colley.—Order.  
MONARCH, American ship, Capt. H. Mc-  
Kenzie.—Douglas Lepark & Co.  
PACIFIC, French barque, Capt. Serrain.  
—Carlowitz & Co.  
TITAN, American ship, Capt. O. H. Ailry.  
—Russell & Co.  
VENTURA, Span. barque, Capt. Urisandi.  
—Remedios & Co.

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*Patrolus*, for Amoy



well with vocal chorus. The latter was loudly applauded, and, in reply to repeated and persistent calls for an encore, the Band performed the ralse again, greatly to the delight of the listeners. Three cheers were then given for the Band and its popular and clever leader, Bandmaster Kelly. The community have been provided with many pleasant evenings by the present Band, and they no doubt feel very grateful for them, and we are sure their sincere good wishes will follow both band and regiment wherever they may go.

A FISHERMAN who arrived by the Canton boat at 11.45 last night was arrested by P. O. W. Robertson for being in possession of a loaded weapon, viz., a loaded revolver, without being in possession of a night pass. The man would not allow his baggage to be examined and was assisted by some of his friends to get it carried away before it could be overhauled. Some \$15 in silver, an English sovereign and two foreign-made gold rings were found upon the man. Though there may have been nothing absolutely suspicious about these circumstances, they certainly gave fair grounds for the prosecution of further enquiries concerning the prisoner before releasing him. When the prisoner was charged with the possession of a deadly weapon before Mr. Wodehouse this morning, he stated in defence that he had money about him and carried the revolver for his protection. Constable Robertson asked for a remand, but Mr. Wodehouse discharged the prisoner with the remark "no suspicious circumstances." Without taking into consideration at present whether the circumstances connected with the prisoner and his smuggled baggage, his arms and equipment were or were not suspicious, in view of the recent atrocious piracy, we would ask on what grounds Mr. Wodehouse discharged this prisoner. The Ordinance No. 14 of 1870, by the authority of which the arrest was made, says in clause 18:—Every Chinese, not being the lawful holder of a Pass, who shall without reasonable excuse, the proof of which shall lie upon him, carry any deadly weapon whatever about him, whether by night or day, shall be liable on summary conviction, thereof, to a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars, or to imprisonment with hard labour for any period not exceeding six months, and such weapon shall be forfeited to the Crown. This Ordinance is still in force. The prisoner in this instance is in fault on most reliable evidence and his only excuse is that he had some money (\$15) in his possession and carried the loaded revolver for his protection. Can any reasonable person believe that in framing this Ordinance it was ever intended that such an excuse should be considered a valid reason for breaking the law? If this is the interpretation to be put upon it the clause had better be struck out at once as a dead letter, and, theoretically, as well as practically, liberty be granted to such and all to carry loaded firearms by night or day.

A most wanton and unprovoked assault with a knife was committed last night by a seaman of H. M. S. *Agamemnon*, named Alfred John Delle, against Captain W. A. Burr, a master mariner employed as a coast pilot on Holt's line of steamers. Captain Burr has been residing for the last few days at the Stag Hotel, Queen's Road Central, awaiting a steamer to take up to Shanghai. Shortly after 11 o'clock last night, when Mr. J. Cook, the proprietor of the Hotel, Mr. Cook and Captain Burr, were in the parlour upstairs, Delle entered by the side entrance to the Hotel, and making his way upstairs, he asked to see the mistress of the house. He was told that he could not do so, and Mr. Cook left the parlour, telling the seaman that he was about to close the house and induce him to accompany him downstairs, and then showed him out of the side door. The man, however, instead of going away, entered again by the door in Queen's Road, and while standing in the bar-room dropped a knife from his waist-belt on to the floor. This was seen by Mrs. Cook from the landing, and she cautioned Mr. Cook and Captain Burr not to go near the sailor. Seeing a prospect of trouble with the unwellcome intruder Mr. Cook went outside by the side door to look for a constable, and when he got to the corner of Peel Street found a lunkon whom he told to blow his whistle and summon a European constable and send him to the Stag Hotel. Mr. Cook then ran back to the house, on his way passing the seaman Delle, who was running in the direction of the Clock-Tower. On arriving at the Hotel Mr. Cook found that during the few minutes he had been absent Captain Burr had come down the stairs and had at once been attacked by the man of war's man and established in the left arm. Assistance was at once given by Mr. Cook and some of the lodgers to the wounded man, and Mr. Cook went to fetch Dr. Young, but in the meanwhile Captain Burr, at his own request, was taken to the Government Civil Hospital, where, however, there was for some time no medical man to attend to him. The wound inflicted is on the left side of the breast, and is a sufficiently serious flesh wound. The point of the knife made a common black-headed sheath knife, appears to have struck one of the ribs and so probably severed the heart.

Delle was stopped in his course by one of the constables, and taken to the Central Station, where he would give no explanation of the cause of his conduct. Though the man had evidently been drinking, those

who saw him last night say that he was not drunk. He was charged this morning before Mr. Wodehouse with having stabbed Captain Burr; but as the complaint was unable to appear, the case was remanded till Saturday next, the prisoner being given up to the charge of a boatman and guard from H. M. S. *Agamemnon* until the case comes on again for hearing.

This defendant in a case in the Court of Requests in Singapore, would appear from his statement of his means of livelihood to be a veritable King Jack-of-all-Trades. He was sued for the rent of a house, and the question arising as to the use to which the house was devoted, it turned out that the defendant was (1) a brick-layer, (2) a school-master, (3) a teacher of singing, (4) a teacher of dancing, (5) a general coach for the sightless, (6) a teacher of life upon the mimic stage, in other words a teacher of aspirants in the theatrical line, but he repelled with a strong suggestion of a cake baker and retailer, for the purpose of which trade it was contended that he had engaged the shop house, whereas the defendant's contention was that he had distinctly been granted by plaintiff the power to subdivide the room and sublet.

The suggestion made below by the *Free Press* of Singapore has, we believe, been acted upon here for some time by several ladies of Hongkong, who have gladdened many a sick heart by their floral gifts. The *Press* of Oct. 10th says:—

General Cameron left for China by the French Mail on Thursday. During his stay here, he took a great deal of interest in the place and expressed himself as extremely pleased with all the features of our public buildings and institutions. His Excellency the Acting Governor spent part of each day in taking him round to the different public buildings and Water-works and other places of interest. The General, on visiting the General Hospital, said that he had rarely been in a hospital with so much satisfaction, and gave very great credit to the Doctors, and the nurses, who have done wonders in improving it. In connection with the hospital we would venture to suggest that the ladies of Hongkong should combine to form a Society, as is the case in England, to supply the Hospital with flowers by turns. Such a Flower Society would give great pleasure to the inmates of the Hospital, and we have been requested to make the suggestion.

We have not approved of a great deal that has been done by the Society for the Suppression of the Opium Trade, although no one can withhold respect for most of the objects of that body. In commenting upon the important step gained by the late Opium Agreement, the *Friend of China* admits that the corruption amongst Chinese officials is the great obstacle to the suppression of the poppy cultivation in the Empire, but expresses satisfaction that the British Government has at last consented to place restrictions upon Indian opium. The writer then makes a suggestion, which will meet with the approval of all good men, as follows:—

But our part in propagating the opium vice in the East, demands also some special effort against the vice in the future. The pages of the *Friend of China* have repeatedly published appeals from Christian missionaries for help to establish refuges for the cure of opium-smokers. It would be a fitting return to our solicitation for liberty for the Chinese Government to set on foot a movement to provide these asylums in a dozen or a score of the great centres of Chinese life, from which their influence would radiate around. Political and parliamentary agitation seems to be no longer required, at least in some years, but we have reason to know that, as our past efforts have been highly appreciated by some of China's highest statesmen, so now an effort to stimulate anti-opium movements in China by this benevolent means would be gratefully welcomed. China is stirring in many quarters with new ideas. Foreign principles and practices will penetrate more and more the hitherto conservative masses of the empire. There is a call for a great effort to awaken and encourage in China a national struggle to shake off the paralyzing influence of opium. Will our countrymen hold back when every citizen has a duty and a mercy urges them to respond?

Says the *Straits Times* of the 9th instant:—H. M. troopship *Himalaya* from Portsmouth, Malta, Ceylon and Penang having on board six Companies, (two Companies having been landed at the last-named port), of the 1st Battalion (East Kent) 3rd Buffs arrived here yesterday forenoon to relieve the 27th Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers on this station. The Regiment is about 700 strong, rank and file, and is to be reinforced by a draft of 150 men from the 2nd Battalion from Hongkong to arrive in the chartered transport *Mexican*. As the 27th Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers have not had much time for preparation, owing to the inspection by Major-General Cameron, and will not embark before Monday morning, men can only be found at Tanglin to accommodate three Companies of the Buffs. This number marched through clouds of dust, to Tanglin Barracks from Tanjong Pagar wharf, early this morning, headed by the fife and drum and Band of the Regiment, which struck up in turn several lively airs nearly all the way to the barracks. The remaining Companies, who will either be quartered in one of the Dock Company's warehouses or kept on board till Monday. The new-comers are a pretty healthy lot, but the majority of them are very young men, boys, and are not so stalwart in appearance as our old friends from the Land of the Leaky Gallies, who are about to bid farewell to Singapore for ever.

The following is a complete list of the Officers of the 1st Battalion of the Buffs, which arrived by the *Himalaya*, on Thursday morning:—Major W. F. Kerr, Commanding; Major O. R. Ross, Captain J. Hughes and G. A. Porter, Lieutenants A. MacLachlan, R. E. Phillips, D. A. Hamilton, A. R. Eustace, J. J. Stuart, G. P. L. Pemberton, F. D. J. Annesley, G. G. Hunter, A. L. Bell, and E. Fowler, Lieutenant and Adjutant, L. G. N. Baker; Quartermaster, W. G. Combes, 2nd Lieut. 2nd Lieut. 13th Dragoon, 13th Dragoon, 1st Army Schoolmaster, and Captain and Paymaster F. F. Parkinson, (all

A SPACE of 5,000 square feet has been allotted to the Straits Settlements at the forthcoming Indian and Colonial Exhibition. The Straits Settlements court is situated in the eastern Arcade and Gallery, near to that of Hongkong. The Singapore, however, is not very favourable, as it is some distance from the main entrance, and rather out of the way, and the Commissioners at the last meeting decided on applying to the Exhibition authorities for the removal of the court, if possible, to a more central position.

This Singaporeans have not been so fortunate in the allotment of their Court at the Colonial Exhibition as have been the Hongkongites. From the subjoined paragraph, however, it will be seen that Singapore is not behind us in their models to be exhibited. The *Free Press* writes:—We are informed that the Exhibition Commissioners have allotted 5,000 square feet in the Eastern Arcade and Gallery to this Colony. The situation is not very favourable, as it is some way from the main entrance, and rather out of the ordinary course of visitors. The Commissioners have decided on applying to the Commissioners to remove the Court, if possible, to a more central position. It is hoped that a good number of exhibits will be got together during this month. It is proposed, if possible, to hold a public sale of the exhibits before they are taken to the Commissioners' storehouse in London. We have had the pleasure to see some models that are being made by Mr. Pickering, C. M. G., comprising a street of Chinese shop-houses, with a number of natives of different kinds walking along the street. The shops are of various styles, and the figures are about six to eight inches high. It is a marvel of patience and ingenuity. Mr. Pickering has also made a number of models of native boats with sails and fishermen in them. It will be a thousand pities if they are sent to London before people can see them here.

Says the *Straits Times* of the 12th October:—On Sunday morning, shortly after daylight, the body of a man was seen by the Company's foreman shipwright, floating in the Albert Dock, at Tanjong Pagar. When the body was brought to land, it was identified as that of the Company's Storekeeper, Robert Kennedy. Deceased was last seen alive at a hotel in Singapore, about a week or so ago. He was a native of the Dock, as he had no business of any kind to take him within the premises at that late hour. The Dock is enclosed at night by means of ropes and chains, and lamp posts are kept burning on the Dock side of the fence. Deceased was a native of Scotland, and had been in the company's employment about eighteen months. An inquest was held yesterday on the body of the deceased, before the Coroner, Dr. Hughston, and a jury, which, after a short deliberation, returned a verdict of suicide. Deceased was a native of Scotland, and had been in the company's employment about eighteen months. An inquest was held yesterday on the body of the deceased, before the Coroner, Dr. Hughston, and a jury, which, after a short deliberation, returned a verdict of suicide.

AN IMPROVING RELIGIOUS CEREMONY.—Last Sunday a notable and interesting ceremony was held in the great new cathedral of Tang-tan, which was opened a few months since. The day was the anniversary of St. Vincent de Paul, founder of the Lazarist Society, and of a society of women especially devoted to active good works. His Lordship the Bishop Tagliabue pontificated, attended by his clergy. The organ, a new and superb instrument from Cavaille-Coll, was played by a young Englishman, and a jury, which, after a short deliberation, returned a verdict of suicide.

AN INTERESTING COMMUNITY.—In Peking there is another and interesting community. Over 200 years ago a number of Chinese, who had been expelled from the Amur country, were besieged, starved, and compelled to surrender. The captives were brought to Peking and were well treated. To this day they receive pensions from the Government. Nearly all of them are now dead, but the few who remain are still in Peking. A church was built for their use, and a Russian pontiff has always resided in Peking for the spiritual wants of the little flock. The church, which is solid and well-built, stands in the courtyard of the Russian legation. These members of the Greek Catholic Church, who were expelled from the Amur country, were besieged, starved, and compelled to surrender. The captives were brought to Peking and were well treated. To this day they receive pensions from the Government. Nearly all of them are now dead, but the few who remain are still in Peking. 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